

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on December 12, 2006, the Examiner rejected claims 1-6 and 9-22 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Independent claims 1, 9, 12, and 18 have been amended so that the claimed invention provides a useful, concrete, and tangible result. The claims, as amended, read solely on statutory subject matter. Applicant therefore respectfully requests removal of the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 101.

CONCLUSION

Applicant submits the claims are now in condition for allowance and respectfully requests the same. If any impediments to this application remain after consideration of the foregoing amendments and remarks, the Examiners is invited to initiate a telephone conference with the undersigned attorney of record.

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